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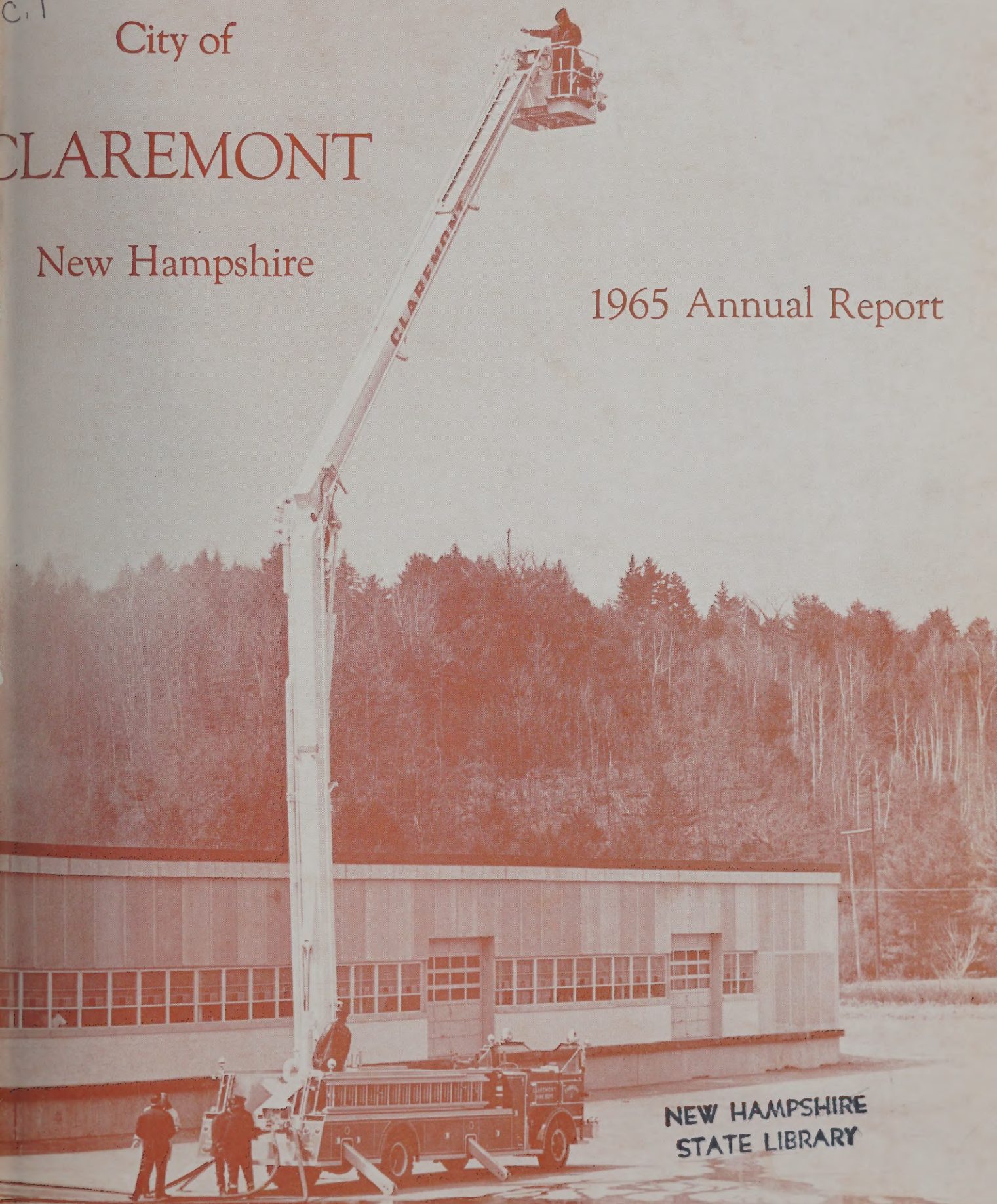
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City of

CLAREMONT

New Hampshire

1965 Annual Report



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City of Claremont  
New Hampshire



OFFICE OF:  
CITY MANAGER

To the Mayor, Council Members and Residents of Claremont:

The annual report for the City of Claremont is hereby submitted for the use of City officials and residents.

The City budget for 1965 was adequate for all department needs, and with the help of Council members and department heads we managed to increase the City's cash surplus to \$49,159.22. A portion of this surplus will, no doubt, be used to help our tax rate for the year 1966.

As our City continues to grow and better its economic situation, it becomes increasingly obvious that many of us are greatly indebted to our City Council and the many people who serve on the various Commissions and Boards. Without the untiring efforts of these civic-minded people, the progress of our City would be considerably delayed.

I should like to also take this opportunity to commend the employees of the City of Claremont and, in particular, the department heads. The dedication to service displayed by these people contributes greatly to the continued successful operation of our municipality.

Respectfully,

George C. Benway  
City Manager

# CITY OFFICIALS

## MAYOR

Charles P. Puksta - Ward 3

## ASSISTANT MAYOR

Carmine F. D'Amante - Ward 3

## CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

George W. Angus, At-Large  
John C. Brooks, Ward 1  
Sydney Clarke, Ward 1  
Theodore Monetta, Ward 2

Marion L. Phillips, Ward 2  
Loui Bonaccorsi, At-Large  
William Boudette, At-Large

## CITY MANAGER

George C. Benway

## FULL-TIME OFFICIALS

Auditor — Ada B. Smalley  
City Clerk — Rose Ellen Haugrud  
Public Welfare Director — Roland Goyette  
Building Inspector — Clifford Lamere, Jr.

Tax Assessor — Robert E. Nihill  
Tax Collector — Bernard C. Rosinski  
Treasurer — Patricia M. Gould

## PART-TIME OFFICIALS

City Solicitor — Robert W. Buckley  
Health Officer — Wilson R. Haubrich  
Meat Inspector — Wilson R. Haubrich

Milk Inspector — Kenneth N. Staples  
Sealer of Weights and Measures —  
Arthur H. Forrest

## DEPARTMENT HEADS

Cemetery Superintendent — Cleo A. Hadley  
Highway Superintendent — John P. Fennessy  
Librarian — Sarah G. Gilmore  
Park Superintendent — Wilfred Picard

Recreation Superintendent — Anthony N. Zotto  
Water and Sewer Superintendent —  
Haakon Pederson

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief — Paul L. Lovejoy  
Deputy Fire Chief — Milton S. Haugrud

Deputy Chief — George Morin  
Asst. Fire Chief — William R. Stringer

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police — William Lynch

Deputy Chief — Donald Michaud

## POLICE COMMISSION

George J. Conides, Chairman

Richard McCusker, Clerk  
Albert B. Valliere

## MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge — Albert D. Leahy

Clerk — William C. Nobbs

## PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD

Laurence E. Ellis

Michael G. Ireland

Bernard L. Revoir



# CITY OFFICIALS

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Ralph V. Crosby

Henry C. Hawkins, Jr.

Romas J. Bissonnette

## BOARD OF HEALTH

William B. Ferriter, Chairman  
Sam Bayer

Honorine H. Staff

Irving H. Crandall  
Wilson R. Haubrich

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Arthur T. Forrest, Chairman  
George S. Allison

Frederick J. Harrigan

James F. Cragin  
Alphonse J. Foisy

## INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL

Robert W. Michaud, Chairman  
George W. Angus  
Robert B. Buckley  
Eugene O. Isabelle

Kenneth D. Whipple

William A. Kirn, Jr.  
Henry N. Patten, Jr.  
Melvin C. Rowe  
Albert J. Severens

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

Marion L. Phillips, Chairman  
Charles F. Keeley, Vice-Chairman

Harold L. Woodward

Robert M. Love  
Charles P. Puksta

## E. CHARLES GOODWIN COMMUNITY CENTER

Director — Anthony N. Zotto  
Chairman — Vincent A. Perkins

Treasurer — Harold L. Woodward  
Secretary — Marjorie R. Zopf

### Members of the Commission:

Vernard J. Gardner  
William A. Kirn, Jr.  
Morey C. Miles

Marion L. Phillips  
Bertha S. Rice  
John P. Zerba

## PLANNING BOARD

Nelson Bryant, Chairman  
Malcolm F. Carr  
Honorine H. Staff

Douglas E. Page  
Arthur T. Forrest

George C. Benway

### Ex Officio Members:

Charles P. Puksta

Robert E. Nihill

## FISKE FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Mrs. Howard Swain, Chairman  
Loui Bonaccorsi  
Howard Barrett  
Mrs. Malcolm Carr

Leslie Currier

Mrs. Robert Buckley  
Mrs. Charles Officer  
Mrs. Leo P. Hamel  
Edward S. Aaron

## TOLLES HOME TRUSTEES

Miss Gertrude Freeman  
Vincent Perkins, Chairman

Anthony Zotto

Mrs. Charles Knuckey  
Mrs. Robert Stevens



DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire

May 4, 1966

George C. Benway  
City Manager  
Claremont, New Hampshire

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the City of Claremont for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1965, which was made by this Division in accordance with the request of the City Council and City Manager. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

**Scope of Audit**

The accounts and records of all city officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of city funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls. All payroll checks issued during the year were examined and an examination of a sufficient number of

vouchers and checks to satisfy the requirements of accepted standards of audit procedure was made. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks.

**Comparative Balance Sheets (Revenue Accounts):  
December 31, 1964—December 31, 1965:**

**(Exhibit A-1)**

Comparative Balance Sheets (Revenue Accounts) for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1964 and December 31, 1965, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein the Current Surplus increased by \$22,683.95, from \$26,475.27 to \$49,159.22 in 1965.

**Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition:**

**(Exhibit A-2)**

An analysis of the change in the current financial condition of the City during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

**Increase in Surplus**

Net Budget Surplus	\$ 29,694.20
Tax Collector's Excess Credits (Net)	521.17
	<u>\$ 30,215.37</u>

**Decrease in Surplus**

Surplus Used to Reduce Tax Rate	\$ 7,500.00
Overpayment Tax Sale—a/c Interest	9.50
Adjustment a/c Refund 1964 Head Tax	5.00
Decrease in Cash on Hand (City Clerk)	2.30
Due City Clerk a/c Over-remittance	14.62
	<u>7,531.42</u>
<b>Net Increase</b>	<u><u>\$ 22,683.95</u></u>

**Decrease in Long Term Indebtedness:**

The long term indebtedness of the City (including Municipal, Water and School Debt) decreased by \$70,555.00 in 1965, as shown herewith:

	Balance Outstanding December 31 1964	Issued 1965	Paid 1965	Balance Outstanding December 31, 1965
<b>Bonds &amp; Long Term Notes:</b>				
Municipal \$	59,750.00	\$ 41,395.00	\$ 21,950.00	\$ 79,195.00
Water	165,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	150,000.00
School	1,147,000.00	0.00	75,000.00	1,072,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$1,371,750.00</u>	<u>\$ 41,395.00</u>	<u>\$ 111,950.00</u>	<u>\$1,301,195.00</u>



## Statement of Long Term Indebtedness:

### (Exhibit A-7)

A statement of the outstanding long term municipal and water indebtedness as of December 31, 1965, showing annual debt service requirements, is contained in Exhibit A-7.

## Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures Estimated and Actual Revenues:

### (Exhibits A-4 & A-5)

Comparative statements of appropriations and

expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1965, are presented in Exhibits A-4 and A-5. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-5), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$17,424.40, plus a revenue surplus of \$12,269.80, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$29,694.20.

## Tax Collections:

Tax collections (exclusive of State Head Taxes) of the current year's levy compared to taxes assessed, for the years 1964 and 1965, were as follows:

	Levy of 1964	Percent	Levy of 1965	Percent
Taxes Assessed — Current Year's Levy.	<u>\$1,875,426.07</u>		<u>\$1,913,760.37</u>	
Taxes Collected — Current Year's Levy	\$1,619,173.67	86.3%	\$1,671,808.43	87.4%
Taxes Abated — Current Year's Levy	9,778.48	.5%	1,698.10	.1%
Uncollected Taxes — Current Year's Levy	246,473.92	13.2%	240,253.84	12.5%
	<u>\$1,875,426.07</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$1,913,760.37</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

## Uncollected Taxes — Prior Years:

It is noted that there are uncollected property and poll taxes on the tax warrants of prior years going back as far as 1956. Inasmuch as many of these taxes are presumably uncollected it is recommended that the Tax Collector and the Assessor go over these lists and that such taxes as appear to be uncollectible be abated.

### Tax Collector's Records:

The Tax Collector should adopt the use of the regular prescribed form of (1) Tax Collector's Cash Book and (2) Tax Sale Record Book.

## Surety Bond:

The surety bond of the City Clerk should be increased from \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00.

## Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of trans-

mittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the City.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the City of Claremont and their office staffs for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

Harold G. Fowler

Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

HGF:bjm

O. Maurice Oleson  
Lionel J. DeGrace  
Edgar O. Pesquera

} Auditors

Stephen D. Plodzick, Accountant



**EXHIBIT A-1**  
**CITY OF CLAREMONT**

Comparative Balance Sheets — Revenue Accounts  
As of December 31, 1964 and December 31, 1965

Assets	December 31, 1964	December 31, 1965
Cash:		
General Fund	\$320,346.71	\$361,517.12
Petty Cash & Change Fund	250.00	350.00
Cash in Hands of City Clerk	2.30	
	<u>\$320,599.01</u>	<u>\$361,867.12</u>
Special Parking Meter Fund	11,717.46	8,157.47
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>		
Current Year - Property & Poll Taxes	\$246,490.22	\$240,524.65
- Head Taxes	11,250.00	11,165.00
- Yield Taxes		56.22
Prior Years		
- Property & Poll Taxes	7,762.54	10,763.04
- Head Taxes	555.00	535.00
- Yield Taxes	94.51	94.51
	<u>266,152.27</u>	<u>263,138.42</u>
Unredeemed Taxes	29,886.49	39,637.67
Tax Deeded Property	867.29	790.19
Due From State of New Hampshire - Bounties	17.00	36.75
Due From State of New Hampshire - Head Tax Overpayment	1,456.20	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>\$630,695.72</u>	<u>\$673,627.62</u>

**EXHIBIT A-1 (Continued)**  
**CITY OF CLAREMONT**

Comparative Balance Sheets — Revenue Accounts  
As of December 31, 1964 and December 31, 1965

Liabilities	December 31, 1964	December 31, 1965
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations:		
School Tax	\$569,434.22	\$594,743.70
City Hall Renovations	403.27	293.32
Airport	6,708.35	5,000.00
City Officers' Expenses	1,150.00	18.88
Libraries		467.93
New Equipment		1,921.36
Parking Meter Reserve	11,717.46	8,157.47
Due City Clerk		14.62
<b>Due State of New Hampshire:</b>		
Head Taxes - Uncollected	\$ 11,250.00	\$ 11,165.00
- Collected	3,172.50	2,452.00
Special Yield Taxes		
- Uncollected	384.65	234.12
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>14,807.15</u>	<u>13,851.12</u>
<b>Current Surplus</b>	\$604,220.45	\$624,468.40
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Surplus</b>	<u>26,475.27</u>	<u>49,159.22</u>
	<u>\$630,695.72</u>	<u>\$673,627.62</u>



## EXHIBIT A-2

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

Current Surplus — December 31, 1965	\$ 49,159.22
Current Surplus — December 31, 1964	26,475.27
Increase in Surplus	<u>\$ 22,683.95</u>

## Analysis of Change

## Increases:

Net Budget Surplus	\$ 29,694.20
Tax Collector's Net Excess Credits	521.17

\$ 30,215.37

## Decreases:

Surplus Used to Reduce Tax Rate	\$ 7,500.00
Tax Sale Overpayment a/c interest	9.50
To Adjust a/c 1964 Head Tax Refund	5.00
Decrease in Cash on Hand a/c City Clerk	2.30
Due City Clerk a/c Overremittance	14.62

7,531.42

Net Increase

\$ 22,683.95

## EXHIBIT A-3

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

Balance Sheet — General Indebtedness  
As of December 31, 1965

## Assets

Long Term Indebtedness	<u>\$229,195.00</u>
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\$229,195.00

## Liabilities

## Long Term Notes:

Bergeron Block	\$ 7,500.00
Purple Pitcher Property	10,800.00
City Hall Renovations	7,500.00

## Bonds:

City	12,000.00
Water Department	150,000.00

New Equipment Notes	(*) 41,395.00
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\$187,800.00

\$229,195.00

(\*) See Not on Schedule A-7



# EXHIBIT B-1 CITY OF CLAREMONT

Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

## Receipts

### Current Revenue:

#### Local Taxes:

Current Year:	
Property Taxes	\$1,660,590.15
Poll Taxes	8,586.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	1,283.00
Yield Taxes	1,253.97
Head Taxes	26,645.00

\$1,698,358.12

#### Prior Years:

Property Taxes	\$ 243,112.37
Poll Taxes	2,734.00
Head Taxes	8,600.00

Interest on Taxes	254,446.37
Head Tax Penalties	9,421.45
Tax Sales Redeemed	953.50
	49,766.74

\$2,012,946.18

### From State of New Hampshire:

Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 25,863.85
Railroad Tax	540.50
Savings Bank Tax	5,602.02
Reimbursement a/c Head Tax	
Costs & Commissions (Contra)	470.50
Reimbursement a/c Weights & Measures	130.13
Reimbursement a/c Fighting Forest Fires	422.85
Bounties	37.50
Water Pollution Control Aid	1,016.46
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assist.	1,773.91
Head Tax Overpayment Refund	1,456.20
Airport Construction Aid	20,755.54

58,069.46

### From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	\$ 2,141.50
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	3,998.52
Fines & Forfeits — District Court	11,442.62
Rent of City Property	255.00
Income From Parking Meters	14,459.12
Income From Trust Funds	5,224.74

## Receipts (Continued)

### Current Revenue: (Continued)

#### From Local Sources, Except Taxes: (Continued)

#### Income From Departments:

Police Department	\$ 4,394.78
Airport Rental	89.11
Highway Department	3,746.00
Library Department	299.73
Welfare Department	128.00
Park Department	475.81
Cemetery Department	10,390.55

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 19,523.98
	98,847.09

\$ 155,892.57

### Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans	\$ 875,000.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	77.10
Miscellaneous Revenues	403.55
New Equipment Loan	41,395.00

\$ 916,875.65

### Appropriation Credits:

City Officers' Expenses	\$ 4.00
City Hall & Court House	30.00
Fire Department	243.21
Insurance	301.30
Equipment Maintenance	1,295.71
Sidewalk	398.96
Traffic Signs & Markings	38.96
City Welfare	30.00
Parks Department	8.50
Interest - Temporary Loans	12,666.66
Equipment Replacement	710.00
Garage Building	125.00

15,852.30

932,727.95

Total Receipts From All Sources

\$3,159,636.16

Balance - December 31, 1964

320,346.71

Grand Total

\$3,479,982.87



# EXHIBIT B-1 (Continued) CITY OF CLAREMONT

Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

## Expenditures

### General Government:

City Officers' Salaries	\$ 37,581.82
City Officers' Expenses	23,010.81
Election & Registration	1,044.00
District Court	7,084.75
City Hall & Court House	19,058.20
Planning Board	360.64
	<u>\$ 88,140.22</u>

### Protection of Persons & Property:

Police Department	\$ 117,297.04
Fire Department	87,051.47
Care of Trees	1,776.30
Damages by Dogs	325.50
Civilian Defense	535.36
Insurance & Retirement	54,508.75
Bounties	57.25
	<u>261,551.67</u>

### Health Department:

Health Officer	\$ 7,071.12
Visiting Nurse Association	4,800.00
Garbage Collection	9,455.37
City Dump	5,983.98
Claremont Hospital	25,000.00
Vital Statistics	566.50
Claremont Industrial Council	319.88
	<u>53,196.85</u>

### Highways & Bridges:

Highway Maintenance — Summer	\$ 79,372.46
Highway Maintenance — Winter	68,139.23
Equipment Maintenance	37,461.08
Equipment Replacements	14,254.69
Garage Buildings	3,563.24
Drainage	12,513.65
Sidewalk Maintenance	2,398.96
Traffic Signs & Markings	1,931.74
Street Lighting	36,628.24
T.R.A. "B" Funds	8,230.00
	<u>264,493.29</u>
	29,030.12

### Libraries

#### Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	\$ 37,795.09
City Welfare	28,004.46

Patriotic Purposes — Memorial Day, Etc.  
Old Armory Expense

# EXPENDITURES (Continued)

## Recreation:

Parks Department	\$ 28,583.11
Recreation Department	37,198.93
	<u>\$ 65,782.04</u>

## Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	\$ 22,554.73
Airport	4,013.12
Weights & Measures	790.48
	<u>27,358.33</u>

## Unclassified:

Legal Expenses	\$ 350.00
Regional Associations	800.00
Abatement Refunds	493.18
Taxes Bought by City	59,722.24
Head Tax & Penalty Refunds	26.50
Petty Cash & Change Fund	100.00
	<u>61,491.92</u>

## Debt Service — Interest:

Temporary Loans	\$ 19,039.53
Bonded Debt	480.00
	<u>19,519.53</u>

## Debt Service — Principal:

Temporary Loans	\$ 875,000.00
Bonded Debt	4,000.00
Note — Bergeron Block	1,250.00
Note — Fire Truck	8,000.00
Note — City Hall Renovations	7,500.00
Purple Pitcher Property	1,200.00
	<u>896,950.00</u>

## Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Tax	\$ 155,595.56
School Tax	1,023,634.22
<b>State of New Hampshire:</b>	
Head Taxes & Penalties	33,381.50
City of Claremont—	
Head Tax Commissions (Contra)	470.50
2% Bond & Debt Tax (Yield)	368.89
	<u>1,213,450.67</u>

## Capital Outlay:

City Hall Renovations	\$ 109.95
New Equipment	39,473.64
Airport Construction	29,017.97
	<u>68,601.56</u>

Total Expenditures For All Purposes

\$3,118,465.75

Balance — December 31, 1965

361,517.12

**Grand Total**

\$3,479,982.87



## EXHBT B-3

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

## Special Parking Meter Fund

Summary of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

Balance — January 1, 1965 \$ 11,717.46

**Receipts:**

Parking Meter Receipts \$ 2,800.99  
Interest on Savings Account 454.99

3,255.98

\$ 14,973.44

**Expenditures:**

Bartlett Concrete Co. \$ 5,087.01  
Demolition — Purple  
Pitcher Property 710.00  
Highway Department 398.96  
N. H. Fence Co. 620.00

6,815.97

Balance — December 31, 1965 \$ 8,157.47

**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Claremont  
Savings Bank —

Pass Book #15474

\$ 8,220.97

Less: Dividend January 4, 1966

63.50

Reconciled Balance —

December 31, 1965

\$ 8,157.47

## EXHIBIT E

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

## District Court

Classified Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

**Receipts:**

Fines & Forfeits \$ 16,442.00  
Bail & Filing Fees 26,328.00  
Bail — Commissioner's Fees 740.00  
Parking Meter Fines 2,203.90  
Wriffs 26.00  
Small Claims Fees 309.95  
Small Claims Payments 239.22  
Miscellaneous 72.00

\$ 46,361.07

**Expenditures:**

Department of Safety \$ 5,980.00  
City of Claremont 11,442.62  
Department of Fish & Game 444.00  
Postage 88.25  
Supplies 428.81  
Small Claims 451.62  
Bail Returned 25,820.00  
Bail — Commissioner's Fees 740.00  
Telephone 172.50  
Miscellaneous 285.27

45,853.07

Balance — December 31, 1965

\$ 508.00

**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Claremont —

National Bank —

Per Statement December 31, 1965

\$ 4,831.42

Add: Deposit of January 12 1966

8.00

\$ 4,839.42

Less: Outstanding Checks

4,331.42

Reconciled Balance— December 31, 1965

\$ 508.00



## EXHBT F-2

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

## Sewer Department

## Statement of Profit and Loss

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

## Revenues:

Sewer Rentals	\$ 39,455.88
Entrance Fees	240.00
Merchandise Sales & Job Work	672.56
Interest on Savings	951.32
	<u>\$ 41,319.76</u>

## Expenses:

## Operating Expenses:

## Sewer Expenses:

Plugged Services	\$ 2,214.66
Plugged Mains	939.39
Repairs & Maintenance — Mains	4,316.50
Repairs & Maintenance — Services	495.19
Frozen Services & Mains	35.27
Miscellaneous Sewer Expense	28.17
	<u>\$ 8,029.18</u>

## Treatment Plant Expense:

Power Purchased	435.78
Plant Operator	5,200.00
Other Labor	2,328.91
Repairs	1,279.01
Supplies	62.38
Fuel Oil	44.80
Miscellaneous	32.10
	<u>9,382.98</u>

## Other Operating Expenses:

Superintendence	\$ 3,321.00
Shop Expense	884.52
Garage Expense	291.80
Depreciation	13,815.13
	<u>18,312.45</u>

## Total Operating Expenses

35,724.61

## Profit From Operations

\$ 5,595.15

## Expenses: (Continued)

## Non-Operating Expenses:

## General Expenses:

Office Salaries	\$ 3,848.00
Office Supplies & Expenses	252.81
Postage	176.87
Insurance	614.89
Employees' Group Insurance	316.00
Membership Dues & Expenses	37.00
Miscellaneous	382.69
Telephone	201.70
Retirement Fund	588.09
Social Security	793.45
Sick Leave Expense	815.15
Vacation Expense	258.00
Paid Holidays	186.00
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## Total Non-Operating Expenses

\$ 8,470.65

## Net Loss From Operations to Surplus

(\$ 2,875.50)

# EXHIBIT G-2

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

### Water Department

Statement of Profit and Loss

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

#### Revenues:

Residential Sales - Metered \$ 64,099.51  
 Residential Sales - Flat Rate 4,750.42  
 Residential Sales -  
 Puckershire - Flat Rate 2,683.90

Commercial Sales \$ 71,533.83  
 Industrial Sales 13,509.58  
 Municipal Sales 25,846.76  
 Office Building Rental 1,254.75  
 Interest on Savings 1,200.00  
 Merchandise Sales & Job Work 1,642.19  
 Reimbursement U. S. Forestry 865.80  
 Total Revenues 128.00

\$115,980.91

#### Expenses:

##### Operating Expenses:

##### Water Supply Expenses:

Source of Supply \$ 1,476.70  
 Labor 1,020.91  
 Repairs to Reservoir 773.36  
 Purification Labor 49.70  
 Gravity System Expenses 1,323.77  
 Purification System Expenses -1,284.00  
 Calgon Expense 606.86  
 Power Purchased  
 Water Shed Improvement Account 12.35

\$ 6,547.65

##### Distribution Expenses:

Superintendence \$ 3,075.00  
 Meter Department Labor 3,752.61  
 Mains — Repairs, Supply, Etc. 2,522.77  
 Services— Repairs, Supplies, Etc. 2,711.04  
 Hydrants — Repairs, Supplies, Etc. 1,474.14  
 Meters — Repairs, Supplies, Etc. 1,635.14

15,170.70

#### Expenses: (Continued)

##### Operating Expenses: (Continued)

##### General:

Store, Department & Shop Expense \$ 2,691.40  
 Repairs, Supplies & Expense— 28.73  
 Shop Equipment 1,448.28  
 Truck & Garage Expense 1,276.07  
 Backhoe Expenses 27,712.66  
 Depreciation Expenses

\$ 33,157.14

\$ 54,875.49

Total Operating Expenses

\$ 61,105.42

Gross Profit From Operations

##### Non-Operating Expenses:

Office Salaries \$ 4,557.25  
 Office Supplies - Expense 249.44  
 Telephone & Telegraph 608.20  
 Postage 290.34  
 Office Fuel Oil 688.73  
 Repairs to Office Building 344.61  
 Repairs to Office Equipment 400.55  
 Group Health Insurance 695.38  
 Association Dues & Expenses 15.00  
 Insurance 1,619.71  
 Stationery & Printing 584.64  
 Employees' Retirement 750.87  
 Taxes 99.45  
 Interest Expense 4,153.47  
 Social Security Contributions 1,116.08  
 Sick Leave Expense 727.79  
 Repairs to Garage & Other Storage Buildings 10.75  
 Injuries 53.00  
 Vacation Expense 1,162.64  
 Holiday Expense 595.76

18,723.66

Total Non-Operating Expenses

\$ 42,381.76

Net Profit From Operations to Surplus



## EXHIBIT I

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

## Frances J. Tolles' Home Fund

Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

Balance - January 1, 1965 \$ 7,000.26

**Receipts:**

Income From Trusts	\$ 19,060.54
Rent - Lewis Annex	3,350.00
Income From Board & Room	3,112.50
Telephone Refunds	116.17
Fire Damage Insurance Recovery	40.00
Insurance Refunds	261.48
Interest on Certificate of Deposit	382.50
Tenants Washer & Dryer Receipts	15.00
Rent From Mulberry St.	12.00
	<u>26,350.19</u>
	\$ 33,350.45

**Expenditures:**

Salaries & Wages	\$ 5,426.84
Groceries	2,172.97
Fuel	1,037.63
Water, Sewer & Electricity	665.18
Supplies & Furnishings	393.32
Repairs & Improvements	1,515.63
Insurance	461.85
Telephone	196.04
Social Security	256.76
Miscellaneous	278.86
Lewis Annex	244.59
Expense at Jones Property	1,228.96
	<u>13,878.63</u>
	\$ 19,471.82

Balance - December 31, 1965

**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Claremont National Bank -	
Per Statement December 31, 1965	\$ 2,039.31
Less: Outstanding Checks	567.49
	<u>\$ 1,471.82</u>
Certificate of Deposit	18,000.00
	<u>\$ 19,471.82</u>
Reconciled Balance - December 31, 1965	

## EXHIBIT J-1

## CITY OF CLAREMONT

## E. C. Goodwin Community Center

Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1965

Balance - January 1, 1965 \$ 41.96

**Receipts:**

City of Claremont	
Appropriation	\$ 22,850.00
Rentals, Etc.	1,237.00
Commissions	152.53
Insurance Rebates	1,702.37
	<u>25,941.90</u>
	\$ 25,983.86

**Expenditures:**

Salaries	\$ 16,222.87
Services	192.00
Social Security	645.66
Office Supplies	137.49
Telephone	154.21
Petty Cash (Incidental	
Expenses)	100.00
Insurance	1,680.49
Fuel	1,071.56
Water & Sewer	29.50
Electricity	488.87
Maintenance Supplies	131.40
Repairs & Replacements	3,910.38
New Equipment	897.35
Programs	138.56
Meeting Expenses &	
Association Dues	101.50
Publications	41.50
	<u>25,943.34</u>
	\$ 40.52

Balance - December 31, 1965

**Proof of Balance**

Balance in the Claremont	
National Bank -	
Per Statement	
December 31, 1965	\$ 4,302.64
Less: Outstanding Checks	4,262.12
	<u>\$ 40.52</u>
Reconciled Balance -	
December 31, 1965	

# Council Highlights of 1965



**City Council—The Claremont City Council had a busy year in 1965. The members are shown above with City Solicitor Robert Buckley and City Clerk Rose Ellen Haugsrud.**

The Claremont City Council had a busy year in 1965. There was the business of rezoning parcels of land throughout the city for new businesses and industries. There were long discussions of Claremont's water problem and of ways to solve it. There was also the passing of resolutions which would enable the Joy Manufacturing Company to build a new plant here in Claremont.

At the first regular meeting of the Council in 1965, there was a public hearing on the construction or reconstruction of Lottery Bridge on Jarvis Hill Road. No one appeared at the hearing, and the Council unanimously adopted a resolution that the City Manager be authorized to raise and appropriate bond issues in the amount of \$50,000 for the project.

It was also resolved at that meeting that the Council on behalf of the entire city, strongly endorse the act of the Vocational Technical School Committee in urging the construction of a new vocational school here in Claremont. Eventually, Claremont was selected as the site for the new vocational school and it is presently being constructed here.

In February Mayor Charles Puksta announced the Mayor's Citizens Committee for Urban Renewal, and the Council endorsed the Statewide Library Development Program.

City Manager George C. Benway announced during the month that the cost of a new fire

truck would be \$52,000 and that the equipment needed by the Highway Department would cost \$48,000. City Solicitor Robert Buckley was requested to draw up resolutions for these proposals to be presented at the next meeting.

The cost of remodeling the Court and Police Department was announced in February. A figure of \$5,500 was approved by the Council and the remodeling was done.

On February 24th, the public hearing on the proposed city budget was held with no major objections being made by the public. The Council approved the budget and also at this meeting, approved the borrowing of \$100,000 for the purchase of equipment for the Highway and Fire Departments.

City Manager Benway was authorized to borrow \$42,800 for the acquisition of the Beaudry property on North Street at a March meeting. The property, slated to be part of the Urban Renewal program, was eventually purchased by the city in 1966.

The first rezoning petition was received by the Council in April. It was from Richard and Rachel McCusker and Louisa Coburn requesting the rezoning of property on West Pleasant Street. The request was denied by the Council when objections were made to locating a Phillips 66 station on the property. A new petition was entered at a later date by the Phillips Petroleum Company. This was approved by the Council.



## City Council (Continued)

and a station was built on the land.

Another request for rezoning was received by the Council at a special meeting in April. City manager Benway, absent from the meeting, wrote the council that the Joy Manufacturing Company had indicated that if House Bill 154 passed and if union agreements were reached they would like to start excavating on the Boudette-Bechok site on the Charlestown Road as soon as possible after May 12th, the date set for a public hearing.

Another special meeting was held later in April. City Manager Benway had opened the bids for the White Water Brook Reservoir Two and in his opinion, and in the opinion of others involved, all bids received were too high. He asked the Council for permission to reject the bids and to re-let the project. The Council authorized him to do both of these things.

It was at this meeting that the subject of well water was first discussed, and City Manager Benway said that the Council could set up a meeting with Mr. Erickson of Layne New England to discuss well possibilities. This meeting was set up. Tests were made on the Clarke property in Puckershire and by September a temporary well was in operation supplementing the city's dwindling water supply.

A special meeting was held in May by the Council to consider four resolutions pertaining to the Joy Manufacturing Company. The resolutions were passed unanimously by the Council.

On May 12th, the Claremont Industrial Council requested that the Boudette-Bechok property be rezoned. A motion to rezone the property from rural to industrial was unanimously passed by the Council.

On June 9th, the City Council received still another rezoning petition. This one was from William Weatherbee Junior and requested that the Crap, King's Arrow Inn and King properties on Pleasant Street be rezoned. After a public hearing, the motion was passed permitting the rezoning of the land. A shopping center has been built there.

Benway reported on June 9th that the low bidder on the White Water Brook Reservoir Two had submitted a bid of \$770,000. He advised that this figure should be considered and a public hearing set.

In June a petition requesting rezoning of land on Maple Avenue was presented to the Council by John Dixon. A public hearing was set and the land rezoned. A Giant Department Store was built on this property.

The bond issue for the White Water Brook Reservoir Two was passed and was then tabled by the Council at a June meeting.

On July 14th, the first water restriction was imposed by the Council.

A public hearing on the Army Corps of Engineers proposed high level dam was set for August 30th and before that hearing the Council

instructed that the city inform the Engineers that they were registering a vote of disapproval because of no advance information being made available to the Council before the meeting.

In August, Benway was authorized to proceed with the repairs to the White Water Brook Reservoir One, and he was also authorized to proceed with the development of the test wells.

In September a motion was made that the Council go on record as opposed to the high level dam proposed by the Army Corps of Engineers. There was an amendment passed, however, stating that the Council delay action until more information was received.

In September, a resolution that \$250,000 be appropriated for repairs to the Claremont water system was adopted.

In October, Councilman Sydney Clarke moved that the Council go on record as being opposed to the high level dam. The motion was defeated.

On October 27th, there was a special meeting of the Council to consider its recommendation to the Water Resources Board in regards to the proposed high level dam. Clarke moved that in view of the 320-0 vote against the dam at the public hearing the Council should go on record as opposed to the dam. After considerable discussion, the matter was tabled until the December meeting of the Council.

At the special meeting, Benway also informed the Council that it would cost about \$50,000 to install a permanent well on the Clarke property. The motion to appropriate this money was passed.

A special meeting was held the first week in November to canvass the vote cast at the election. The following were declared elected Councilmen for the 1966-1968 term: Mrs. Rowena Daniels and Chauncey Cann, Ward One; Mrs. Marion Phillips and Theodore Monetta, Ward Two; Carmine F. D'Amante and Charles Puksta, Ward Three and Loui Bonaccorsi, George Conides and Sydney Clarke, at large.

On November 19th, a special meeting was held to hear a petition from the Joy Manufacturing Company to rezone land on the River Road. A public hearing was set for December and the land was rezoned at that meeting.

In December, the Council voted 6-3 to go on record as being in favor of the high level dam proposed by the Army Corps of Engineers with two recommendations to be made to state officials: (1), that the pollution on the Sugar River be abated and that (2) the state appropriate money for the development of the proposed recreational facilities.

At the year's end, two long time Councilmen retired from the Council. George W. Angus and John Brooks had not sought re-election and were praised at the last meeting, for their service throughout the years on the Council.

Councilmen serving in 1965 were: Mayor Charles Puksta, Assistant Mayor Carmine F. D'Amante, George W. Angus, John Brooks, Loui Bonaccorsi, William Boudette, Mrs. Marion Phillips, Theodore Monetta and Sydney Clarke.



# Police Department



**Police—Police officer David Kinson, who joined the department in 1965, investigates an automobile accident**

(Picture courtesy of Wayne Carter)

The Claremont Police Department had a busy year in 1965. Over 143,091 miles were clocked in the two police cruisers and there was an increase in almost all police activity during the year.

Traffic accidents in the city decreased in 1965 from 322 for 1964 to 289 in 1965. The department attributed its around the clock patrol of the city for this decrease in accidents. This was the only area where a decrease was shown.

In 1965, the department offices were completely renovated. The walls were pine paneled, the floors tiled, the ceiling replaced and new doors and cabinets were installed.

New equipment was purchased by the police in 1965. They purchased gas guns, gas masks, walkie talkies, cruiser desks, electric sirens, mobile public address systems and other items needed.

Three officers left the department in 1965. Officer Dona Greenwood retired because of a

service connected disability. Officer David Wilson left to join the New Hampshire State Police force and Officer Harold Johnson left to become supervisor of the Joy Manufacturing Company Photo Laboratory. They were replaced by Officers Peter Hickey, Frederick Jones and David Kinson.

The three new officers attended a Police Recruit School. Other officers in the department attended training sessions on the use of various gases and also a school of riot and mob control.

Four persons were killed in automobile accidents during 1965 and 106 were injured.

The number of complaints of all natures received by the department again in 1965 showed a marked increase. The department received over 5,000 complaints.

In 1965, the department checked 1,863 vacant homes for those Claremonters on vacation.

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# Highway Department



**Highway**—The Highway Department purchased various new items in 1965 including a new bulldozer, which is shown above in operation.

Over 63,000 gallons of asphalt were applied to Claremont's streets by the Highway Department in 1965. It was one of the biggest jobs done by the department during the year.

The Highway Department in 1965 obtained five new pieces of equipment. Purchased were a new bulldozer, a sweeper, a new truck with snowplow, a sidewalk snowplow and a pick-up truck. The old pick-up truck was retained by the department and is being used as a snowplow.

Three major outroads were resurfaced by the Whitcomb Construction Company in conjunction with the city department in 1965. The improvements were made through the use of Town Road Aid funds which come from the state of New Hampshire. The resurfaced areas were from Draper's Corner to Dion's Curve; from Summer Street to Pleasant Street and Myrtle Street.

The Department spent \$6,000 and worked six weeks to rebuild the drainage system and to regravell Clay Hill Road during the year.

The twenty-seven man department is headed by John Fennessy. He has been the superintendent since 1956.

The department is responsible for leaf pick-ups, rubbish removal, and snow removal as well as regular road maintenance in the city.

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## Police Department (Continued from page 16)

The number of arrests made by the department increased greatly in 1965. They arrested 1,229 persons during the year for various offenses. In 1964, they arrested 922 persons.

The department is manned by seventeen members. One is a police woman clerk. There are also seven special officers and six school traffic officers. The department, on occasion, is assisted by the voluntary organizations of REACT and the Five Watters.

The Department has a governing board of Police Commissioners. During 1965, two new members were elected by the City Council to the three man board. They were George Conides and Albert Valliere. Richard McCusker was elected chairman of the Commission during the year.



# Fire Department



**Fire—Firemen battle a blaze in a home on Green Mountain Road. Busy hands direct an oncoming fireman showing him what to do next.**

The Claremont Fire Department fought four major building fires in 1965. The year started out for the department with a major fire at Keegan's Donut Shop.

Two families were homeless as the result of two other fires during the year. One was at the residence of the Ray Narushof's off Green Mountain Road. The other was at the Grenier home on Thrasher Road.

A March fire at the LeBrun home on Pearl Street destroyed the upper portion of that home.

Two major brush and grass fires were also battled by the department in 1965. One was at the top of the hill behind Elm Street. Water was taken to the top in Indian tanks and finally a hose was laid from a tank truck to the fire. The other was near the Davis and Symonds Lumber Company on Washington Street. It was contained before it spread to near-by prime lum-

ber. This fire, incidentally, was on the same day as the one at the Narushofs.

The firemen received 19 bell alarm calls in 1965. It is interesting to note that in each of the past three years the department has had 19 bell alarms. However, the department was called 332 times in 1965 for various reasons. This surpasses the 1964 figure of 294.

During 1965, automatic bell alarm systems were installed in four schools, the new Claremont Nursing Home, the Adina Footwear Company and the Claremont Flock Company.

The only equipment item purchased in the year was a new pick-up. The rear portion of the station was remodeled into offices.

Fire Chief Lovejoy, Deputy Chief Milton Haugsrud and the Health and Building Inspectors inspected the city tenement buildings in 1965

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# Visiting Nurse Association



Visiting Nurse—Mrs. Eleanor Parmelee

A clinic for crippled children was set up in 1965 here in Claremont under the sponsorship of the Visiting Nurse Association. State funds are used for this project, and four clinics are held during the year. The first clinic in Claremont was held in April of 1965. Fifteen persons attended each of the clinics. Drs. Robert Lanzer and Robert Shoemaker are the attending physicians and prescribe treatment. Appointments are made through the Visiting Nurse Association and Mrs. Lanzer, of the staff, attends the clinics.

The Well-Baby Clinic was well attended again in 1965 with 397 babies being treated. This clinic is sponsored by the Claremont Lioness Club in conjunction with the Association, the Claremont General Hospital and Dr. Robert Lanzer. The Association is represented at these clinics by Mrs. Zerba and Mrs. Robbins.

Oral polio drops and shots for diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus are given as well as small pox vaccinations.

The Visiting Nurse Association made 2,784 calls in 1965. Of these visits 1,195 were fully paid, 121 were partially paid and 1,471 were free.

Again, as in 1964, the greatest number of visits were made to injured persons. They made 392 visits to persons injured, which was the same number of visits made in 1964.

The second largest group treated by the

nurses in 1965 were those persons with arthritis. There were 308 persons treated in this category.

Other cases treated were: cerebral vascular, 253; post pregnancy, 178; cancer, 90; crippled, 69 and cardiovascular, 15. Other categories had lesser totals.

The nurses made 1,105 health supervision visits during the year.

Mrs. Eleanor Parmelee, head of the Nurse Association, attended a five day school for head nurses conducted by the New England Board of Higher Education in the Spring.

The Visiting Nurse Association received a check for \$300 from the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and used it to buy equipment for the Well-Baby Clinic.

The nurses also assisted the Claremont Quota Club at Christmas with their mitten distribution project. They also referred cases to the Claremont Lions Club. The Lions Club has an eye-saving project and pays for eye examinations in some cases.

The Association also during the year distributed Medicare information to their patients.

The Association was headed by Mrs. Eleanor Parmelee in 1965. She has been head of the department since 1963. She is assisted by two part-time registered nurses, Mrs. Betty Zerba and Mrs. Robert Lanzer.



Clifford Lamere Junior, Claremont's first permanent building inspector studies specifications of a proposed new building for Claremont.

## Building Inspector

Clifford Lamere Junior was named Claremont's first permanent Building Inspector on June 7, 1965. His duties include issuing permits to all persons who are remodeling or building at a value over \$100, inspecting all remodeling or building in the city and investigating nuisance complaints involving property.

During his first year on the job, Mr. Lamere started a major junkyard clean-up program in the city, and it was through his efforts and cooperation with the major junkyard owners that all qualified junkyards in the city were fenced. Over 50 junkyards were cleaned up. He also made it necessary for persons who had more than one unregistered car on their property to dispose of them. He estimated that about 100 junk car situations were cleaned up throughout the year.

Major permits issued throughout the building inspector's year, which runs from June 1, 1965 to June 1, 1966 included permits for the Joy Manufacturing Company, the Giant Store, Grand Union, the MAE Corporation, the housing unit erected by Hardy Brothers on Lanseth and Durham Avenue Extension, the Hardy Brothers apartment house on McKenzie Drive, the Lambert Oil Company building, the addition for the Adina Shoe

Company and the Rodney Webster project on Webster Avenue.

Major renovation permits for businesses received at the Building Inspector's office included one for the David Heller store, the Corner Book Shop, Carroll's Cosmetics and Kimball's Incorporated.

The Building Inspector also during the year, with Fire Chief Lovejoy, Deputy Fire Chief Milton Haugsrud and Health Inspector Wilson Haubrich inspected the various tenement buildings in the city. Some owners were told to make repairs before renting their property again and some property was condemned.

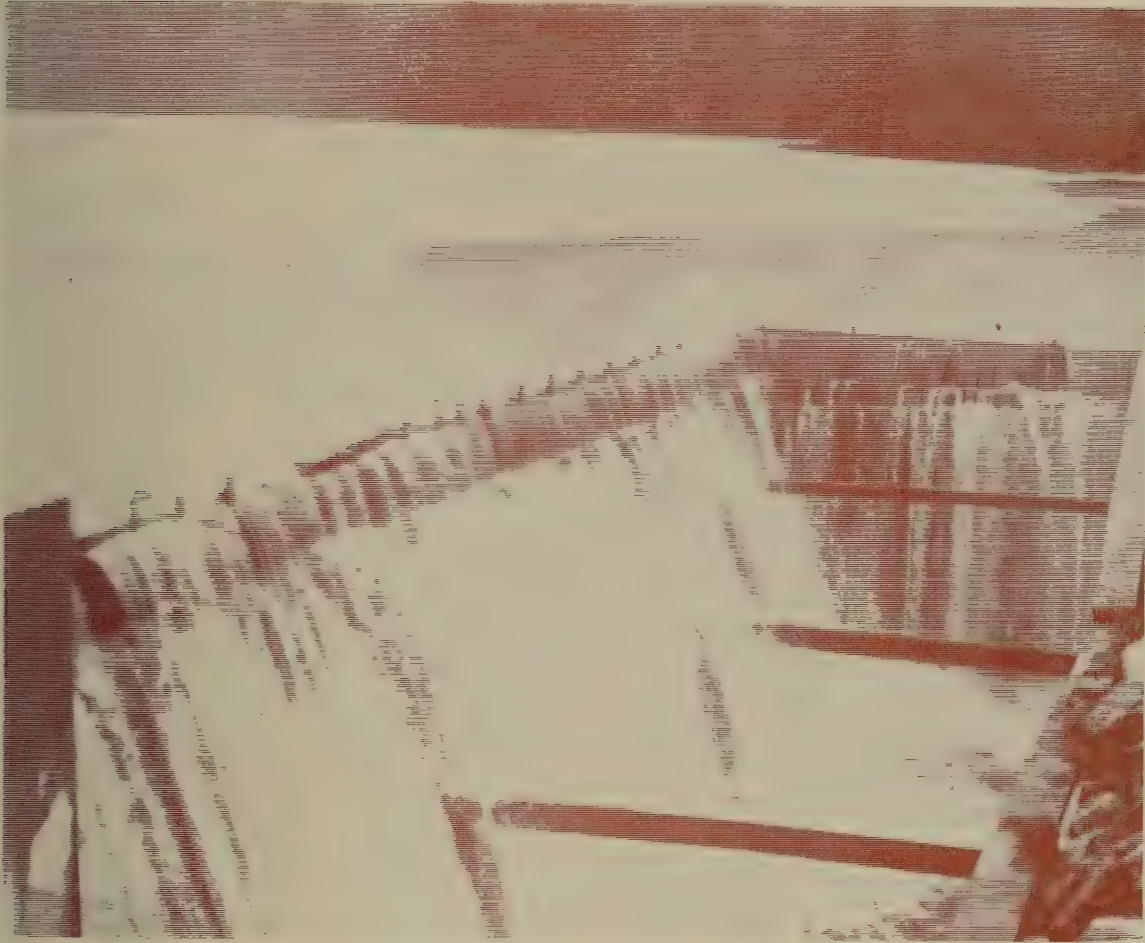
The Building Inspector also has to inspect all buildings remodeled or constructed when the work is completed. In 1965, Lamere made 447 inspections to make sure that improvements and buildings conformed to the city's building code.

Mr. Lamere said that his biggest problem this year has been investigating complaints about persons who discard rubbish on their own or neighbor's property. He said that he receives about 3 such calls each week.

There have been temporary building inspectors prior to 1965, but City Manager George C. Benway and the City Council thought that, because of the growth, and anticipated growth of the city, a full time inspector was needed. Mr. Lamere was chosen from various applicants to fill the position.



# Water and Sewer Department



The White Water Brook reservoir, the City's largest Water storage, was repaired in 1965.

For the first time in a drought year, there were no water restrictions imposed during 1965. At one time, Superintendent Haakon Pederson recommended to the Council that restrictions be imposed on usage, but the Council defeated the motion.

A temporary well was installed on the Clarke farm and water was pumped from it into the system starting on September 14, 1965. The well was shut off on November 15. The Council voted \$50,000 to install a permanent well on the Clarke site. During the time it was in operation, 30 million gallons were pumped into the system, and eliminated the necessity for water restrictions.

During the 1965, bids were accepted for the White Water Brook Reservoir Two. The bids were rejected and re-let. After the second bid opening, the Council voted funds for the new reservoir but the bond issue was tabled at that time to wait for the development of the well site.

Money was also voted by the Council for repairs on the White Water Brook Reservoir One. These were made during 1965.

The pipeline laid to Corbin Park by the Department in 1964 were removed in October and

November, when it became apparent that the water would not be needed from the park.

The Water Department also installed 5 new hydrants during the year and installed 46 new services and relaid 24 services.

In May, in anticipation of the water problems the city had had during the two previous years, an electric pump was set up at the Red Water Brook to take care of any surplus water. This was dismantled in November.

Seventeen new sewer services were installed during the year and four were relaid. Also, six drying beds at the sewage disposal plant were resanded using 140 tons of sand during 1965.

Also, during 1965, the shop and office at Crescent Street were repaired by members of the water crew. These offices are maintained, but new quarters for the office staff are in the renovated City Hall.

Water rates remained the same in 1965, except for minor exceptions, but an increase in all rates was expected to help for the new White Water Brook Reservoir.

Haakon Pederson has been the head of the department since 1948, and there are approximately 14 others working either part or full time in the department.

# Health Department

An increase in activity in many areas made 1965 a busy year for Claremont's Health Department and its superintendent, Dr. Wilson Haubrich, VMD.

A new code was enacted to regulate drainage sites and equipment used by mobile home owners in the city. Dr. Haubrich said that the department is responsible for inspecting all mobile home sites and the sewerage systems. He said that he made many of these inspections in 1965 because more and more persons were purchasing mobile homes.

Dr. Haubrich also in 1965 was part of a city inspection team that inspected all tenement buildings here in Claremont. He, personally, checked the buildings to see if any health regulations were being violated. He said a few infractions were found. He said a card index was made of all tenements and that recommendations were made for correction of infractions found to the owners.

During the year, Dr. Kenneth Staples, VMD, local milk inspector, found a few more than normal area milk suppliers had temporary non-compliances with the state code regulating milk. These were corrected by the Health Department. There was also an increase in the number of samples picked up for state examination and it was through these and local tests that the variances were found. Two dairies had especially severe problems with the milk, but these were corrected by the department without court action.

Dr. Haubrich, of course, is the city's meat inspector. He must be at the slaughter house each day to inspect the animals before and after they are slaughtered. Sometimes, if the animal is a questionable one, Dr. Haubrich has to be present during the slaughter. He said that the slaughter house has had an increase in activity, probably, because of the increase in the cost of Western beef.

Dr. Haubrich is also responsible for the inspection of all restaurants here in Claremont. He said that there are four routine examinations made of each restaurant during each year. He said that no licenses were revoked in 1965. If minor infractions were found, he said, they were immediately corrected. He said that the restaurants in Claremont comply with a strict code that has been in existence for a long time. He said that because these rules have been in effect for so long, that most facilities are good. The city quickly adopts state recommendations for restaurants, Haubrich said, and that is why the code is strict. He said that the restaurant owners helped in the conservation of water during the water shortage.

There are still about two nuisance complaints received by the department each day. One of these complaints can usually be solved by a phone call. The other usually requires a visit.

He also said that only a few reportable diseases were brought to the department's attention during the year. Doctors are responsible to report certain diseases detected to the health inspector. He said that there were less of these reported; probably, because of the prevention methods now used for these diseases.

In looking towards the future, Dr. Haubrich said that the most important project of the Health Department in the coming years was to move for the clean-up of the pollution in the Sugar and Red Water Brook Rivers. He urged people to press for expanded sewerage facilities for the entire community.

Haubrich also said that he was very happy to see the removal of the North Street buildings. He said the removal of these buildings will help to improve the housing standards of the entire community.

Dr. Haubrich has been head of the department since 1939.

# Cemetery Department

During 1965, 185 burials were performed in Claremont city cemeteries. The graves were dug by hand and also with a small back-hoe at times.

The crew, which consists of Superintendent Cleo Hadley and two men, also set 84 foundations during the year.

In 1965, the Council voted to sell the plots in the Union Cemetery. These were previously free. The first lot in the Cemetery was sold in July, and \$225 was spent on lots in the cemetery during the remainder of the year.

Numerous lots were also purchased in the Mountain View Cemetery during the year. \$1,100 was spent by persons to purchase these lots.

The department is also responsible for the High Street and Pleasant Street cemeteries. There are not any more lots for sale in either of these cemeteries, but burials are still being performed, and the department is also responsible for the upkeep of them.

The department also partially cares for St. Mary, Jarvis Hill and Meyer David Cemeteries.

The lawns of the cemeteries suffered from the drought again in 1965 and were damaged by the dry conditions.

Hadley has headed the Cemetery Department for 12 years and has been in the department for 19 years.





Children enjoy learning about and using the Children's Room at the Fiske Free Library.

## Fiske Free Library

There was an increase in the use of the Fiske Free Library in 1965, especially in the use of the reference section. The library for the first time received \$100 from the state to buy reference material, and it was used by many high school students.

It was explained that the reference section is being built up slowly, because these books are very expensive and funds are always needed to purchase this type of material.

There were 55,613 books circulated during the year and about 1,000 new borrowers were added to the total list of about 5,500 borrowers.

The facilities of the library are available to any Claremonter free of charge.

About 1,000 new books were added to the stacks of the library in 1965.

There were some minor alterations to the library in 1965. New books were installed and a new catalogue system was added.

The librarians were happy in 1965 to instruct children in groups on the use of the library. Many

teachers brought their classes to the library for this purpose during the year. In the Summer the Headstarters also toured the library and were very interested in looking at the various children's books in the Children's room.

The library had many displays of local interest on exhibit at various times during the year. In 1965 displays included one from Mrs. Ruth Hamilton on her European tour, one by Miss Elinor Colby of her charcoals and paintings and one by Paul Joly on ways of making Christmas decorations.

In 1965, Miss Sarah Gilmore tendered her resignation and resigned on January 1st, 1966. She had been the head librarian for 36 years. She had been on the staff since 1908. The City of Claremont honored her for her years of service at a testimonial dinner in 1966.

There are five librarians on the staff of the Fiske Free Library, and they are aided at times by student volunteers.

The Library has a governing board of nine library trustees. These trustees are appointed by the City Council. Two are chosen from each ward and there are three at large trustees.



# Parks and Recreation Department



Small fry enjoy splashing in the wading pool of the Parks and Recreation Department, one of the many facilities available to them.

The Claremont Parks and Recreation Department staff and the entire City of Claremont had good reason to be proud of its Superintendent in 1965. Anthony Zotto, Director of the Department, was chosen one of 12 outstanding Physical Fitness Leaders in the Country by the United States Jaycees.

Mr. Zotto, who was first chosen the state and regional leader, met with the other 11 recipients in Washington and was honored there. He also had an opportunity to meet with President Johnson.

The honor that he brought to Claremont was well deserved, because Mr. Zotto has always been dedicated to making all Claremonters physically fit.

All facets of the community are served by the Parks and Recreation Department. There

are programs for children and for adults. Adult programs include square and round dancing classes and the Women's Physical Fitness program.

Mr. Zotto's unfailing devotion to his position was very apparent in 1965.

More youngsters than ever before took part in the various activities at the Goodwin Community Center, the indoor and outdoor pools and at the playgrounds throughout the year.

The year started with a basketball season half completed. At least 180 boys and girls took advantage of this Parks and Recreation Department activity. During the winter months, the 19th Annual Twin State Valley tourney was played here in Claremont. There were three

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## Parks and Recreation

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divisions of play. Windsor won the midget division, Brattleboro won the junior division and Concord won the session division.

The Learn-to-Ski program was also well attended with 35 persons volunteering to act as instructors. Three-hundred youngsters received instruction.

Also during the winter months, junior and senior lifesaving courses were taught at the indoor pool.

The Center received 300 clothes baskets and racks for the outdoor pool from Stevens High School and mats from the Junior High School in 1965. A school bus was also given to the department by the Claremont School Board. A large movie screen was given to the department by the Claremont Rotary Club.

The front steps of the Center and the roof over the front entrance were repaired during 1965. The floors and the walls of the Barnes Park grandstand were painted and members of the staff of the department made benches for the parks. The Monadnock Park grandstand was demolished during 1965 with the permission of the City Council.

In 1965, the department also purchased a new truck, a new electric typewriter and a water heater. 100 jerseys were purchased for the boys basketball teams.

The summer was a busy one for the department with the opening of the playgrounds and the outdoor pool. Various programs annually sponsored by the department in the summer include both the Babe Ruth and Little League baseball leagues, the Learn-to-Swim program and the American Band concerts. A tennis instruction course was added in 1965 to the long list of activities available to Claremonters. Many tournaments were held here in Claremont, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, during the summer. The Twin State Valley Swim Team Meet, the New Hampshire Recreational Society Swim Meet and the Twin State Valley Junior Baseball Tournament all took place here in Claremont. In the baseball tournament, Claremont took third place and in the Twin State Valley Swim meet, Claremont took second place.

The busy activity at the playgrounds culminated in August with the Annual Lollipop Carnival and the Week of Champions. Over 15,000 pops were sold at the carnival. It was estimated that 22,000 youngsters used the playground facilities during the season with Moody Park registering the best attendance.

It was also a busy year for the indoor and outdoor pools. On August 31st the outdoor pool closed with a total years attendance of 15,500. Claremonters using the pool in 1965 were asked to register and 1,125 did so. Of the 15,500 using the pool, 2,704 were paid students and 243 were playing adults. At the same time, the in-

door pool had an attendance of 10,200. It is interesting to note that in May the indoor pool had an attendance of 3,400. This was the second best attendance since 1953 when the pool opened.

An unpleasant aspect of the superintendent's job was the reporting of vandalism throughout the year at various parks and at the outdoor pool. The vandalism started in the early part of the year and continued throughout. Probably the most extensive damage was done at the outdoor pool after it closed for the season. Windows were smashed and rocks were hurled into the pool area.

The Goodwin Community Center during the year conducted the annual Ski and Skate Sale and sold about 150 items for various individuals.

Also during the year, the Center distributed toys to the underprivileged children of the city at Christmas. About 200 toys were brought to the center and distributed by it in cooperation with various other city departments.

Mr. Zotto is the head of the department. The Center and the indoor pool are governed by a nine member commission. The members of the commission are appointed by the Claremont City Council.

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## Fire Department

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for various hazardous conditions. The Fire Department is also responsible for inspecting all oil burners installed in the city to make sure they are safe.

Fire prevention week was celebrated here in Claremont in various ways. There was a parade and a Fireman's Ball. Probably most important, however, was the visit by firemen to the various Claremont grammar schools to teach the students about fire prevention. Chief Lovejoy, Deputy Chief Haugsrud and fireman Frank Descoteau made the annual visits and explained fire prevention and showed films to the children. A Barnes, Rouillard and MacPherson Insurance Company agent accompanied the firemen and gave the students fire hats and badges.

There are fourteen regular firemen and 36 call firemen in the department headed by Chief Lovejoy who was named Chief in 1964.

# City Manager



City Manager George C. Benway dictates a letter to his secretary, Mrs. Rita Richmond.





Claremont's new snorkel fire truck is pictured on the cover. The money for this truck was appropriated by the Council in 1965. The modern piece of fire equipment cost \$52,000. (Photo courtesy of Lou Thompson).



















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